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Office of General Counsel **Federal Election Commission** 999 East Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Roger P. Hamilton, Jr. and I reside at 116 Guadalajara Street, New Iberia, Louisiana, 70563.

I am writing today to register an official complaint with the Commission regarding possible illegal activity in the campaign in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional district of Louisiana. This complaint will be signed, sworn to and notarized per FEC requirements.

I am requesting that the FEC launch a formal investigation into the activities of the Louisiana Republican Party, Tauzin for Congress and the Billy Tauzin Congressional Committee as they relate to the Congressional campaign in Louisiana's 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional district.

This request is based on public statements of the Press Secretary of Congressman Billy Tauzin who stated in the August 20, 2004 edition of the Louisiana Political Fax Weekly (copy attached) That, "there may be some winking and nodding but no deals" as it relates to the Louisiana Republican Party's endorsement of Billy Tauzin III campaign and the potential to direct funds to benefit the campaign of Billy Tauzin III.

Clearly, "winking and nodding" violates the spirit and letter of the law. Mr. Johnson's public statement (regardless of how intemperate) clearly indicates the intention of subverting the election law and by his own admission has created an avenue of diverting earmarked funds to Mr. Tauzin III's campaign.

This public pronouncement of the intent to violate the law has led me to register this formal complaint and ask for your immediate intervention. I believe a violation of FEC law is about to occur. The clear intention here is to divert funds into the coffers of Tauzin for Congress.

Election Day (November 2) is rapidly approaching and I am sure you can understand the necessity for timeliness in your investigation. Without your immediate involvement I fear the election will be compromised and federal election law will be broken.

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Sincerely

Signed and Sworn to Before Me

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